UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

MARQUETTE JACKSON, : CASE NO. 1:17 CV 2532

Plaintiff,

vs. : OPINION & ORDER

CORRECTIONS OFFICER COOKE,

Defendant.

JAMES S. GWIN, UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE:

On December 5, 2017, *pro se* plaintiff Marquette Jackson filed this *in forma pauperis* civil action against Corrections Officer Cooke. His hand-written complaint consists of a single sentence. To the extent it is legible, it states: "Correction Officer Cooke raped me by writing conduct report. . . ." (Doc. No. 1.) The complaint alleges no legal claims or seeks any specific relief.

Although *pro se* pleadings generally are liberally construed and held to less stringent standards than formal pleadings drafted by lawyers, *Williams v. Curtin*, 631 F.3d 380, 383 (6th Cir. 2011), *pro se* plaintiffs are still required to meet basic pleading requirements and a court is not required to conjure allegations on their behalf. *See Erwin v. Edwards*, 22 F. App'x 579, 580 (6th Cir. 2001). Federal courts are courts of limited jurisdiction, and "a district court may, at any time, *sua sponte* dismiss a complaint for lack of subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to Rule 12(b)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure when the allegations of [the] complaint are totally implausible, attenuated, unsubstantial, frivolous, devoid of merit, or no longer open to discussion." *Apple v. Glenn*, 183 F.3d 477, 479 (6th Cir. 1999).

The Court finds this action must be dismissed in accordance with Apple v. Glenn. The

plaintiff's allegations are so incoherent and unsubstantial that they do not provide a basis to

establish this Court's subject-matter jurisdiction, and they do not reasonably suggest he might

have any plausible federal claim.

Conclusion

Accordingly, this action is dismissed for lack of subject-matter jurisdiction pursuant to

the Court's authority established in Apple v. Glenn. The Court certifies, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §

1915(a)(3), that an appeal from this decision could not be taken in good faith.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: February 1, 2018

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